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Student Trainee (Mechanical Engineer), GS-03

You may work in Conductor, Mechanical Design, or Specifications groups assisting with drawing and document preparation. As you work in your design group, you will gain knowledge of the hardware that is used to build transmission lines. Knowledge of engineering, science, and mathematical fundamentals is required.

Student Trainee (Mechanical Engineer), GS-05

Learn design procedures to build actual transmission lines or transmission facilities. Familiarity with engineering fundamentals is essential for this position.

Mechanical Engineer, GS-07

Assist Design and Project Engineers in the development of design packages to build transmission lines and facilities. Duties may include all aspects of transmission design and assisting senior engineers with special designs for transmission projects. A practical understanding of engineering principles, concepts, and methodology associated with transmission assignments is required along with knowledge of technical methods and practices.

Recommended completed coursework

Accelerated Consecutive Promotion Program for Entry-Level Engineers

The goal of the program is to acquaint you more quickly with the customs and practices of our engineering programs. A combination of on-the-job instruction and off-the-job self – development will be provided. Trainees entering the program may be eligible for consecutive promotions to the next two or three levels after successful completion of six months of intensive accelerated training at each level.

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